According to 6th All India Education Survey (30th September, 1993) conducted by NCERT, 81,63% of students in rural areas study in Government or local body schools;

(b) to (e) As far as the schools run by the Central Government are concerned, improvement is a continuous process and is attended to from time to time as and when the need arises. However, most schools come under the purview of State Governments and it is for them to provide required facilities.

Mid-Day Meal in Uttar Pradesh

511. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Uttar Pradesh has approached the Centre for release of funds for Mid-Day Meal Scheme in that State for the year 2005-06;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(c) whether the additional expenditure of Rs. 33.19 crore incurred on the scheme by the State Government for the year 2004-05 has also been reimbursed, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE *N* THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Government of Uttar Pradesh submitted a proposal for release of Rs.23076.00 lakhs towards Central assistance to meet cooking cost under Mid-Day Meal Scheme. Details of the said proposal are as under:—

(1)	Release of first instalment of 2005-06	Rs. 21553 lakh
(2)	Reimbursement of additional amount already incurred in 2004-05	Rs. 1523 lakh

As regards (1) above, after examination of the proposal, Government of Uttar Pradesh was released Rs. 21553 lakhs in August, 2005.

With regard to (2) above, since the State Government had not furnished justification for additional demand, the same was not released.